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Solar plays an important role in our energy future and I have invested in that future. Currently the energy that my system produces is taken from me at an unfair price. The power companies determine what I must pay them for their energy and I and others have little if any choice other than to accept it. The energy that I produce has a value determined not by me but by those that want it and take it and they do so at an extremely unfair price, a price that does not justify my ongoing investment. Simply put, I have paid considerably to install a system and I am required to maintain it at my cost, if that cost is not adequately offset by the value of the energy produced then I will have little alternative other than to switch it off. I assume others will do similar when repairs are necessary and they see that it is no longer viable. Suddenly thousands of solar systems will go into disrepair and this whole experiment will flounder. The next time people are encouraged to invest in such projects the enthusiasm will be very different, we know when we are being ripped off and we don't forget . Regards Nick.

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